Proclamation



CITY OF NORTHAMPTON COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic Volunteer Appreciation Day July 15, 2021

WHEREAS,

the City of Northampton Health Department responded to a call to action by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) and Governor Charlie Baker to help vaccinate first responders in our community; and

WHEREAS,

On January 12, 2021, the Northampton COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic opened its doors to all Hampshire County first responders; and

WHEREAS,

Northampton Fire/Rescue, the Easthampton Fire Department, volunteer members of the Massachusetts Medical Reserve Corps, and the Northampton public health nurses supported these efforts, and in the first week, over 595 Hampshire County first responders received their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine; and

WHEREAS,

on March 1, 2021, the Northampton COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic became designated a regional vaccination site for the Commonwealth and continued to provide vaccines to all eligible individuals in our community during the three phase plan set out by the MDP; and

WHEREAS,

over 465 volunteers from our community helped to operate the Northampton Vaccination Clinic as greeters, parking assistants, room runners, medical scribes, registration assistants, and room attendants with over 2,240 clinic shifts being filled by volunteers that resulted in over 7,800 volunteer hours being provided; and

WHEREAS,

with this Herculean effort by volunteers, medical practitioners, and public health professionals, almost 32,000 COVID-19 vaccines have been administered to members of our community resulting in over 82% of the eligible Northampton population being vaccinated; and so

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor David J. Narkewicz, do hereby proclaim July 15, 2021, to be

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and call on the residents of Northampton to recognize the important role that volunteers played in saving lives and helping to end the COVID-19 pandemic.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and have imprinted the Seal of the City of Northampton on this 15th day of July, 2021.

Mayor David J. Narkewicz